

Broad Street ParkwayLand Use Planning

Meeting #2 Mohawk Tannery Redevelopment Area

December 7, 2010

Overview



- Broad Street Parkway Update
- Tree Streets Neighborhood Progress
- Brownfields Program
- Mohawk Tannery Redevelopment Area
- Future meetings

Tree Streets Neighborhood



Labine Public Space

- October 2nd public meeting to gather ideas
- November 8th public meeting to review park concepts
- January public meeting to present final plan
- April start construction
- Fall of 2011 park opened

Tree Streets Neighborhood



Tree Streets Neighborhood Plan

- Contract to Finance on December 15th
- Final plan due late summer

Design Competition

- Resolution approved by the Board of Aldermen
- Jury to convene in December

Nashua Brownfields Program



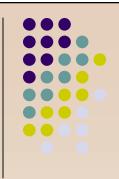
- What is a Brownfield?
- Nashua approach
- Funding to date
- Success stories

What is a Brownfield?



 Brownfields are real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the *presence or potential presence* of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant.

Nashua Approach



- Reduce redevelopment uncertainty and risk
- Reduce cost of redeveloping contaminated sites
- Clean up contaminated sites
- Generate property tax revenue

Brownfields Funding to Date



 EPA Assessment Grant 	\$373,000
 EPA Cleanup Grant 	\$400,000
 DES Cleanup Grant 	\$200,000
 Private Reimbursement 	\$60,000
 HUD BEDI 	\$2,000,000
 EPA Cleanup RLF 	\$1,000,000
TOTAL	\$4,033,000

Mohawk Tannery Redevelopment Area

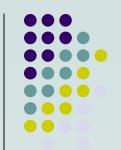


- Existing context
- History
- Cleanup History
- Issues
- Opportunities
- Next Steps

Existing Context



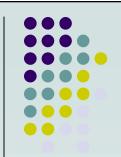
- 63 acres
- Multiple property owners
 - City of Nashua
 - Fimbel Door Company
 - Chester Realty / Warren Keane
 - JKS Realty LLC / LJJ Realty LLC
- Near Exit 6 and adjacent to Nashua River
- Formerly industrial uses
- Adjacent to Little Florida Neighborhood



Timeline

1924	Mohawk Tannery - production of top grain leather for shoe industry
1984	Tannery operations cease
	 business climate deteriorates
	 environmental regulations increase
	 State and City lawsuit
1984	Rezoning from Park Industrial to R-C
2000	Tannery proposed to the National Priorities List
2003	City acquires Fimbel Door property

Timeline (continued)



2003	Mohawk Tannery Steering Committee Investigate clean-up funding options
	 Coordinate with Congressional and agency reps Master plan future uses of the site
2006	EPA settlement with owner of Tannery
2007	Major fire at Mohawk Tannery
2008	City hosts EPA, DES – cleanup pilot study initiated
2008	Broad Street Parkway bond approved
2010	Federal earmark requested for Tannery demo 12

Historical Disposal Practices



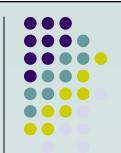
- Direct discharge of wastewater into the Nashua River:
 - Chromium
 - Zinc
 - Phenol
- Sludge disposal into lagoons containing:
 - Chromium
 - Pentachlorophenol
 - Phenol
 - 2,4,6-trichlorophenol

Cleanup Timeline



2001	EPA Intervention
	 Removed and disposed of asbestos-containing material
	 Characterized and disposed of contamination contained in drums and tanks
	 Removed empty drums, containers, and tanks
2002	EPA Engineering Evaluation / Cost Analysis
	 Analysis of cleanup options
	 Recommended waste be removed from site
	 \$15 to \$23 million estimated cost

Cleanup Timeline (continued)



2003	NHDES Remedial Investigation for EPA
-05	 Sludge is the principal source of shallow
	groundwater contamination
	 Soil contamination is minimal
	 Residue in main building needs to be addressed
	prior to demo
2009	EPA Evaluates Soil Stabilization / Solidification
	Approach.
	 Preliminary conclusions are favorable
	Estimated cost is \$4.55 million

Mohawk Tannery Redevelopment Area Goals



- Clean up toxic site
- Improve site for neighborhood
- Generate future property taxes taxes
- Maximize return on Broad Street Parkway investment

Mohawk Tannery Redevelopment Area Issues



- Limited access
- Cost of environmental clean up
- Complexity of redevelopment and cleanup
- Environmental stigma
- Site constraints (floodplain, wetlands, topography)
- Mitigating the impacts to adjacent neighborhoods

Complexity of Redevelopment and Cleanup



- Settlement agreement with Chester Realty
 - Agreement among EPA, DES and owner
 - Part of EPA cost recovery process
 - Government parties must approve any transfer of site property
 - Any payments and proceeds will be placed in a special account for the Mohawk Tannery site

Redevelopment Opportunities



- Upcoming construction of the BSP
- Motivated partners
 - US EPA
 - NH DES
 - Mohawk Tannery Steering Committee
 - Little Florida Neighborhood
- Bladder technology at Jackson Falls Dam

Next Steps



- Short term
 - Demolition of Mohawk Tannery
 - Secure the site
 - Fine-tune land use goals
- Long term
 - Continue to implement the Broad Street Parkway
 - Design site access to Broad Street Parkway
 - Market the site(s) to sophisticated real estate development teams